

# Inside Wallops

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## ***NASA Wallops Preparing for Future Exploration***

The United States has embarked on a new exploration vision that will guide NASA's science, aeronautics and space research for decades as we continue to study our planet, prepare to return humans to the Moon and explore our vast universe.



***Wallops Island***

*NASA Photo*

NASA Wallops Flight Facility is embarking on a strategic plan, involving both operations and facilities, which supports this exploration effort. A site-wide assessment has been conducted that analyzes and addresses the potential environmental impacts of current and future activities at the facility.

**There will be an employee meeting at 2 p.m., Thursday, November 18, in Building E-104, Room 310, to discuss the environmental assessment. All employees are invited.**

Dr. John Campbell, senior manager at Wallops said, "We are at an exciting time in the history of Wallops. The country is embarking on the new exploration vision that uses space and Earth science, aeronautics research, and space vehicle development to return humans to the Moon and explore beyond. Wallops is a key supporter in the exploration vision."

He noted, "The facility is a test site of technologies in the development of new launch vehicles for carrying satellites and possibly humans into space. We are actively using unpiloted aerial vehicles in science and aeronautic research. We also

are participating in studies to use balloons for exploring other planets. We have long been the location in NASA for providing opportunities for students to fly experiments and now they can take part in the exploration excitement."

The Site-Wide Environmental Assessment addresses recurring activities and proposed future actions at Wallops, both by NASA and its customers. It examines the impact of Wallops activities on physical, biological, social and economic resources in the area.

Caroline Massey, Assistant Director of Management Operations, said, "This site-wide environmental assessment process is the best way for NASA to define current operations and plan for projected future activities at Wallops in a comprehensive, instead of piece meal, way. This will allow NASA and our community to better understand the overall relationship of Wallops activities to our environment."

A draft of the environmental assessment is available for review through Dec. 10, 2004. Comments must be submitted by December 10. The draft assessment and contact information may be viewed on at: <http://www.wff.nasa.gov/~code250/Documents/documents.htm>

The assessment also is available at the Eastern Shore Public Library in Accomac, Va., the Island Library in Chincoteague, Va., and the Wallops Technical Library.

## ***Wallops Employees Help Select Four for New Awards***

Nominations are being sought for two Wallops awards that will be given at the annual Wallops Awards Ceremony to be held on December 17.

Both awards are open to civil servants and contractors. There will be two awards in each category. Each award will be given to an individual and a group.

The first award is the Robert L. Krieger Award. This will be presented to the group and the individual that best represent the Wallops culture that was established under his leadership — a can-do-environment for the execution of missions, science, engineering, operations and outreach at Wallops.

The second is the NASA Wallops Flight Facility Safety Award. This will be presented to the individual and the group that have contributed significantly to mission or workplace safety at Wallops.

The deadline for submitting nominations for both awards is December 1, 2004.

Nominations should be sent to Brenda.J. Dingwall@nasa.gov For further information contact Dingwall at x1458.

### ***Wallops Shorts..... Daily Times***

"Spaceport Receives \$49M Contract"

### ***Florida Today***

"Students' Space Race May Launch from Va"

### ***Eastern Shore News***

"Spaceport's New Contract to Help Local Economy"

## Top of the Class



Photo by Rebecca Hudson

**Christina Townsend, CUBE Corp., recently completed the Federal Arrest Authority (FAA) training at the top of her class. The FAA training is an intense four-week law enforcement course. Certification in this training gives officers the ability to arrest persons on the Main Base, Wallops Island and the Navy facilities.**

### ***Opportunities in the Range and Mission Management Office***

Brown Bag Seminar with Jay Pittman, Chief of the Range and Mission Management Office  
Tuesday, November 16, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Building E-2, Williamsburg Room

## ***Recycle Scrap Metal***, by Terry Ewell

Stop! Don't throw that metal door into the landfill dumpster.

The Wallops Logistics Office coordinates collection of all scrap metal generated on the Wallops Main Base, Mainland and Island.

Primary collection containers are located at the Building N-222 Disposal Warehouse. Satellite collection containers are located at Building F-10, Machine



Shop and the Building F-25, Welding Shop.

GSA recently awarded a scrap metal term contract to Kroeger's Salvage of Bridgeville, Del. Kroeger will furnish on-the-spot collection for large volumes of scrap metal at any building rehab site.

Are you tired of staring at that broken aluminum chair in the hallway? Call the HELP desk at extension 4357 for pickup and delivery to Building N-222.

Do you have a larger accumulation of scrap metal in your lab or shop area? Call Terry Ewell at extension 1133 or Kevin Harmon at extension 2331. They will arrange for delivery and pick up of a five-cubic-yard container to fill with everything from nuts and bolts to metal cabinets and rusted desks.

## ***Be Cautious of Foreign Emails***

The Internet is becoming a common method for foreign entities to gather information from Wallops civil servants and contractors using computer elicitation techniques contained in unsolicited electronic mail. Foreign entities use this method to contact a wide variety of knowledgeable persons throughout the U.S. Government, with the intent to collect various small pieces of information from each agency based upon their area of expertise. This information is then analyzed and compiled revealing a level of detail that no one individual would have been able to provide. Many initial requests are for public domain information so the recipients become comfortable corresponding with the requesters.

Use of the Internet offers a variety of advantages to a foreign collector. It is simple, low cost, non-threatening, and relatively risk free for the foreign entity attempting to collect classified, proprietary, technical, export controlled and/or sensitive information.

All unsolicited requests for information received via the Internet should be viewed with suspicion. You should only respond to people who are personally known and only after verifying the identity and address of the requester. Verification is important, as the possibility exists for foreign entities to present themselves as impostors.

If any request for information is received from an unknown source or if it is a request for classified, proprietary, technical, export controlled and/or sensitive information, a copy of the request should be provided to the Counterintelligence Office and you should not respond to it in any way.

Report these incidents to your Center Counterintelligence Office at x66-6788 / 1582 or by email to:  
Norman.C.Nelson@nasa.gov  
or Timothy.R.Metz@nasa.gov.

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